



USDA Announces Commitment to Hawaiian Home Lands

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) signed an unprecedented Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on February 3, 2004, establishing a basis for cooperation and assistance to achieve rural homeownership, economic growth, and agricultural sustainability for native Hawaiians.

Deputy Secretary of USDA James R. Moseley said the MOU is the first ever of its kind and is a written commitment on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development, to work directly with the DHHL.

"This Memorandum of Understanding is really the foundation upon which we will build a strong working relationship directly with the department and it also formalizes the discussions I have had with Governor Lingle and Director Kane," said Moseley. "We recognize and support the important mission of Hawaiian Home Lands and the benefits they bring to the entire state."

Governor Lingle said the Deputy Secretary understands the unique mission of Hawaiian Home Lands to put people on the land and create economic sustainability that will improve the qual-

ity of life of everyone in the state.

"When we provide the opportunity for homeownership or economic growth to native Hawaiians, our whole state benefits," Governor Lingle said. "Assistant Secretary Moseley and the USDA Rural Development branch recognize the positive impact Hawaiian Home Lands can have on our state. They have shown a unique commitment to work directly with Director Kane to improve the quality of life for our residents."

DHHL Director, Micah Kane said the agreement to work together is already manifesting itself with Rural Development's creation of a working group within the department to specifically support DHHL's funding efforts.

"We've met with Secretary Moseley on several occasions and have given him our vision and needs over the long term," said Kane. "The working group is a pilot project that was created to specifically help DHHL's funding requests. This is a big first step, and we look forward to many more in the months and years ahead."

Kane said the department's goals and the manner in which they are achieved are attractive to USDA, Rural Development.

"We believe we need to leverage all of our resources, and public and private partnerships assure the greatest return on investment," said Kane. "This MOU is in itself a new partnership to help put native Hawaiians on the land, and we are looking forward to building from this foundation."



Governor Linda Lingle and Lieutenant Governor James Aiona Jr. witness Deputy Agricultural Secretary James R. Moseley and Hawaiian Homes Commission Chairman Micah Kane sign an unprecedented Memorandum of Understanding establishing a basis for cooperation and assistance to achieve rural homeownership, economic growth and agricultural sustainability for native Hawaiians.



From left to right are: Hawaiian Homes Commission Chairman Micah Kane, Deputy Agriculture Secretary James R. Moseley, Governor Linda Lingle and Lieutenant Governor James R. Aiona, Jr.

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Chairman's Message: Fulfilling the Dream



Each day as I drive into work from Kāne'ohe, up through the Pali tunnels, I am given a quick glance into the pristine Waimānalo Valley. And I am reminded and humbled by how fortunate I am to be a part of fulfilling the commitment to our people. As many of you know, Waimānalo is the only home-stead community on the Windward side of O'ahu. It is unfortunate, but it drives me knowing that there should be more opportunities for our people to live in communities like Waimānalo.

Over the past 12 months, our team has laid the foundation to accelerate awards on our lands. Internally, I have watched our staff begin to truly believe what our capabilities are and that there are no limits to our potential. I can assure you that 2004, 2005 and 2006 will be very good years for our department and the beneficiaries we are serving.

Critical to our success has been the leadership of our Commission. While ever watchful of any changes we have proposed, they have been very supportive of our efforts to retool our team and to change the philosophy of how we approach land development.

Over the past few months, I along with our land development team, have met with three of the four Mayors to discuss our five-year development plan. Each mayor has lent their support and is committed to seeing us succeed. Their support is critical.

Our next step is to inform our communities and the people who are awaiting their opportunity for home ownership or land stewardship on our lands.

We have held island meetings to help identify our beneficiaries' needs and expectations. We have surveyed our people to better understand their capabilities, needs and desires. As a result of those meetings and surveys, we have generated development plans for specific tracks of lands on each island.

Beginning in May, we will be holding informational meetings on each island to inform our beneficiaries what, when and where we are going to develop our land and, specifically, what type of award it is going to be. This will give our families an opportunity to prepare for the future in hopes that they will position themselves to accept a lease. As many of you know, awards have been offered to most of our people, but apparently the fit or timing has not been right for many.

While all of our beneficiaries are important, I would like to send a special message to our community of Keokea who were part of the 1985 acceleration effort. We will fulfill this commitment. Our team knows that this is a priority. Equally important is the support we are receiving from Mayor Arakawa.

I also want to acknowledge the continued support the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands have received from Governor Lingle and the respective Mayors on each island. The importance of their support today and the years ahead cannot be understated.

On another note, I am happy to announce that Governor Lingle has nominated Molokai Commissioner Milton Pa to another four-year term. He has been a tremendous asset to our commission and has represented the island of Molokai very well. It is reassuring to know that Commissioner Pa will be providing his guidance for another term.

This is an exciting time because we have begun to fulfill the dream of the new beginning. Mahalo for your support.

Aloha no!
Micah

Ka Nūhou

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DHHL Announces Major Lease Agreement

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) has entered into a major commercial lease agreement for a 200-acre site in Kona on the Big Island that may include a golf course, industrial development, resort, retail and commercial development. The lease will generate a minimum of \$6.5 million dollars in new revenue over the next 10 years and a minimum of \$64 million over the 65-year lease term.

The development will provide economic opportunity for native Hawaiians and the greater community, while contributing additional revenue to help fulfill the department's mission of putting native Hawaiians on the land.

Governor Linda Lingle said the agreement is a sign of leadership by the commission.

"This agreement fits in with DHHL's long-term master plan that we began implementing a year ago," said Governor Lingle. "I commend the Commission members' proactive approach to generating revenue for their beneficiaries. This is a landmark agreement for DHHL's vision."

The property, adjacent to the Honokahau Small Boat Harbor and

bordered by Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kealakehe Parkway, is part of a master-planned community that will provide much-needed jobs for current and future Hawaiian homes communities. The lessee is also seeking development rights to property owned by the Department of Land and Natural Resources that is next to DHHL land and extends to the coast.

"Development of this property fits in with the long-term vision for that area," Hawaiian Homes Commission Chairman Micah Kane said. "We are also pleased to be able to generate much needed revenue in a manner that is beneficial to the overall community, in a way that is pono for all."

The lease is with Kona Marina Development Group LLC, a limited partnership with Menehune Development Co., Inc. and Jacoby Development, Inc (JDI).

"Menehune Development is a local company and brings that perspective," Kane said, "while Jacoby has financial strength, experience and an environmentally responsible track record." Under terms of the lease agreement, Kane added, approval of the commission is required at numerous points in order for the project to proceed.

"We are very excited about our partnership with DHHL," said JDI founder and CEO Jim Jacoby. "Our team understands that this is the Hawaiian people's land, so in planning its development we must start with the community's needs."

The agreement also calls for the lessee to establish a Hawai'i non-profit corporation or foundation to support and promote community development, community health care, job training, and education/cultural programs and projects by December 2006. The lessee will provide an initial endowment of \$100,000.

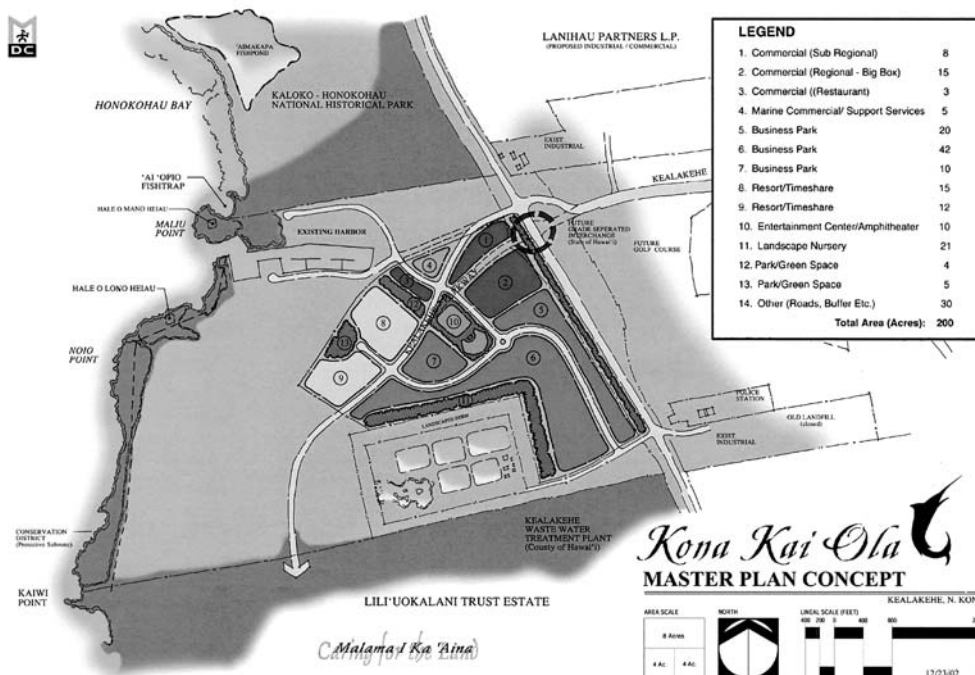
Avoiding Lease Cancellation

It's a fact that whenever there is a lease violation or a loan falls delinquent, the department has the right to cancel a homesteader's lease. However, no lease is cancelled without first affording the lessee the right to a contested case hearing.

The department urges homesteaders with lease violations or loan delinquencies to take steps to correct the violation or cure the delinquency. Discuss the problems with the department before the situation progresses to the scheduling of a contested case hearing. Don't wait for a contested case hearing!

The contested case hearing process allows only two opportunities for request for reconsideration. Requests made after the allowed time are not considered. According to Title 10, Administrative Rules of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, whenever the Hawaiian Homes Commission issues a Decision and Order (D&O) at a hearing, there is a 10-day time limit for requests for reconsideration to the Commission and then a 30-day time limit for appeals through the courts.

The D&O, in addition to the specific remedies, also spells out the consequences of D&O violations. Following the cancellation of the lease, there is a 60-day period for the lessee to vacate the homestead.



The master plan concept being proposed by Kona Marina Development Group.

Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle Awards \$404,955 Grant for DHHL Housing Project

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands' Malu'ohai Phase 3, Self-Help Project in Kapolei has been awarded a \$404,955 Affordable Housing Program (AHP) grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle through Washington Mutual Bank, F.S.B. The AHP grant funds will be administered through Menehune Development Co. to assist 45 native Hawaiian participants with affordable housing using the self-help construction method. The AHP funds will be used for construction costs including the installation of solar water heating systems, principle reduction and other loan costs.

"As the project's primary sponsor, we continue to build upon financial partnerships that will improve the quality of life of our beneficiaries within our communities," said Micah Kane, Chairman of the Hawaiian Homes Commission. "Our mission parallels that of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle and it shows that the private sector supports our efforts to place native Hawaiians on the land."

Kane credited the department staff for pursuing various grants and federal funding. "Part of our strategic plan is to be more aggressive in securing grants and federal funds and our

staff did a good job in doing just that. We recognize the need for additional funding sources and our staff not only participated in securing this award, but placed another project in line for potential funding," he said.

The Waiehu Kou Phase 3 on Maui is on the alternate list for another \$404,955, should additional funds become available.

In the award announcement, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle stated that it had received 33 applications requesting a total of \$10.9 million in AHP subsidy. There was \$6.2 million available to fund 17 applications.

The Affordable Housing Program provides grants to help financial institutions support affordable housing, both rental and owner-occupied, and is funded annually with 10 percent of the Seattle Bank's net income.

The Seattle Bank is part of a network of 12 regional Federal Home Loan Banks. The system was created by Congress in 1932 to ensure the availability of housing funds in an effort to expand homeownership throughout the nation. Today, Federal Home Loan Banks help more than 7,500 financial institutions, including commercial banks, credit unions, insurance companies and savings institutions, meet their community's needs.

Subdivision Purchases to Accelerate Home Construction

To accelerate home construction for native Hawaiians, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) in February issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to purchase developable land from private developers and landowners.

Micah Kane, Chairman of DHHL, said the RFP is the direct result of the department's Strategic Plan, which calls for providing every qualified native Hawaiian beneficiary on the waiting list an opportunity for home ownership or land stewardship.

"The main reason for the RFP is to acquire land that can be developed quickly. Much of our current land inventory is not suitable for the affordable development of subdivisions, or will take too long to develop due to off-site infrastructure requirements. We are therefore seeking proposals from private landowners and developers to help fulfill our mandate of putting native Hawaiians on the land," he said. "This proposal is recognition that we must look at additional options and methods to address our responsibilities to our beneficiaries if we are to meet the goals from our Strategic Plan."

In addition to landowners offering the land for acquisition, the RFP includes two options for developers. The first option would require a developer to design a single-family subdivision to County standards, and then turn the completed lots over to DHHL.

The second option includes everything in the first option plus constructed homes and subsequent marketing to native Hawaiians.

The notice for RFP was advertised on February 17, 18, and 19. Landowners and developers will have until April 1, 2004 to provide proposals to the department.

The RFP packet was available after February 17, 2004 for a non-refundable payment of \$25.00 in cash or certified or cashier's check payable to the "Department of Hawaiian Home Lands". A pre-submission information session was held on February 26, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. at the DHHL 12th Floor Conference Room, 1099 Alakea St., Honolulu, HI.

Questions regarding this project may be directed to Kenneth Harada at (808) 587-6446.

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Don't forget that you must notify (in writing) the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands of any changes in your mailing address in order to remain eligible for a Hawaiian home land award. Complete the form below and mail it to:

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Kō Mākou Alī'i: Kūhiō

Editor's note: As a tribute to Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole, the Ka Nūhou excerpts and paraphrases from the January 7, 1923 Congressional Record. That date being a Sunday, the Speaker pro tempore set apart the day's session for addresses on Kūhiō's life (March 26, 1871--January 7, 1922.)



Undated portrait of Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole.

Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole was born on the island of Kaua'i. His father, Kahalepouli, was a high chief and the son of the last king of Kaua'i. His mother was Princess Kinoiki Kekaulike, sister of Queen Kapi'olani, consort of King Kalākaua.

His boyhood was very different from the usual American's. As a member of the royal family, he was brought up in the court of his uncle, the King, and took part in all official functions and receptions at the palace.

At the age of 13 he was declared a prince by royal proclamation. His early education was in Honolulu--at the Royal School and Punahou College. He then spent four years at St. Mathews College in California, and later attended the Royal Agricultural College in England, winding up his education in a business college there.

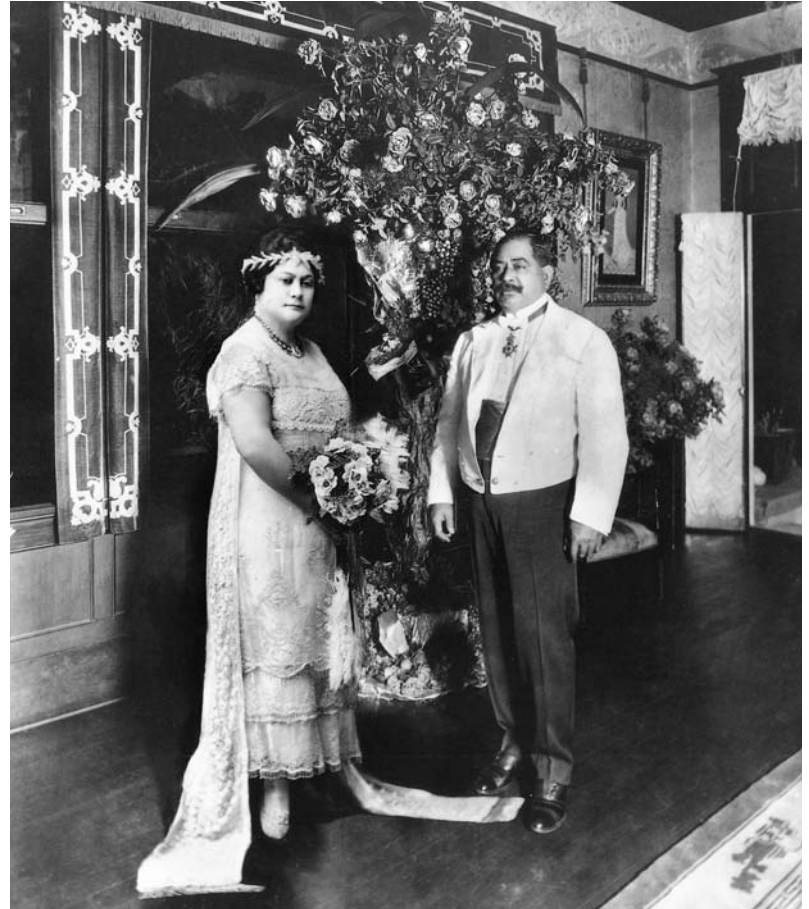
At the conclusion of his college days, Kūhiō spent a year as the guest of the Japanese government. His uncle, King Kalākaua, hoped that he would marry a princess of the royal house of Japan.



The Hawaiian Legislative Commission at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington DC in January 1920. Identified from left to right are: Senator Wise; Senator Shingle; Delegate Kūhiō; Governor McCarthy; Attorney General Irwin; Representative Rawlins and Representative Lyman.

After Kūhiō's return to Hawaii from Japan, he took a position in the Department of the Interior of the Hawaiian government in order to obtain practical experience. He made a good record for industry and efficiency.

Of royal lineage and a probable future king, his outlook on life and his prospects were brought to an abrupt change by the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy in 1893 when the Republic of Hawaii was established.



Princess Elizabeth Kahanu and Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole at Pualeilani, their home in Waikiki.

The young prince was then 21 years of age. Two years later there was a revolution of the Hawaiians with the object of reinstating the ex-Queen. Prince Kūhiō, true to his beliefs, took part in this revolution. For this, he and other leaders were arrested as political prisoners and sentenced to a year's imprisonment. While he was in prison, he became engaged to a young chieftess. They were married soon after his release and left shortly for a tour of the world. He was in Africa during the Boer War and took part on the side of the British.

He returned to his island home in the fall of 1901 and in 1902 after urgent persuasion became the Republican candidate for a delegate to Congress and was elected for his first term. He served with great reluctance, for he believed he could do more for his people at home than he could 5,000 miles away in Washington D.C.

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2004 Hawaiʻian Homes Commission Meeting Schedule

The meeting schedule for the Hawaiian Homes Commission (HHC) for the remainder of the 2004 calendar year is listed below. Homestead Community Meetings are scheduled for Monday evenings. Homestead community meetings commence in March and continue through December.

During the months with community meetings, the HHC will convene its regular monthly meeting to consider only the "Request to Address the Commission" agenda item(s) on the Monday of the community meeting from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Commission will reconvene its regular meeting on the following day at 9:00 a.m. to address the remaining agenda items.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEETING TYPE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
March 29	Community	Ho'olehua, Molokai
March 30	Regular	Kalama'ula, Molokai
April 26	Community	Wai'anae, O'ahu
April 27	Regular	Honolulu (DHHL)
May 24	Community	Anahola, Kaua'i
May 25	Regular	Lihu'e, Kaua'i
June 21	Community	Papakōlea, O'ahu
June 22	Regular	Honolulu (DHHL)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEETING TYPE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
July 19	Community	Hilo, Hawai'i
July 20	Regular	Hilo, Hawai'i
August 23	Community	Waimea, Hawai'i
August 24	Regular	Waimea, Hawai'i
September 20	Community	Paukūkalo, Maui
September 21	Regular	Paukūkalo, Maui
October 18	Community	Lāna'i City, Lāna'i
October 19	Regular	Lāna'i City, Lāna'i
November 15	Community	Nānākuli, O'ahu
November 16	Regular	Honolulu (DHHL)
December 13	Community	Waimānalo, O'ahu
December 14	Regular	Honolulu (DHHL)

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Characteristically after having made up his mind as to his path of duty, he never swerved and was elected to Congress for 10 consecutive terms. During the 19 years of his service, always uppermost in his mind was the welfare and prosperity of his constituency and especially that of his own people.

A pure-blooded Hawaiian, a member of a diminishing race, it was natural and greatly to his credit that he devoted much serious thought and energy to their rehabilitation--it was a work of love on his part. He saw the tendency of his people to flock to the larger cities where their life in crowded tenements, learning the vices of the white man was leading to racial extinction and he devoted himself to getting them back to the land.

His efforts culminated in the passage of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act in 1921--a measure to provide homesteads for native Hawaiians. The prince was named one of the commissioners and took great interest in the practical carrying out of his dream.

Earnestly and passionately he pleaded the cause of the Hawaiians and pressed for the recognition of their just demands. When finally he succeeded in securing the passage of an act having for its purpose the rehabilitation of Hawaii and giving to his people the opportunity to acquire small parcels of land in order to make themselves self-supporting, he felt that the one great mission of his public career had been accomplished.

The prince announced that it was his purpose to retire from Congress and to devote the remainder of his life to putting into force and effect the provisions of the rehabilitation act for

which he had labored so diligently and which he felt meant so much for the future happiness of his people. No man ever served a constituency with more zeal or greater fidelity than did Prince Kalaniana'ole.



A favorite portrait of Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole.

The prince never failed of an opportunity to impress upon his native people the importance of maintaining their race and of establishing and maintaining a home of their own. His purpose was to perpetuate as long as possible the vanishing race of the Hawaiians.

He was a true and a noble son of a splendid race.

Kūhiō was the last titular prince of his line and his funeral was the last royal funeral held in Hawaii. He was buried with all the pomp and pageantry of ancient Hawaiian royalty in the royal mausoleum. Officials of foreign governments were present in their official capacities and throngs of friends of all

nationalities came to pay the last tribute to the departed.

In beautiful Nu'uuanu Valley (at Mauna'ala) amid the ferns and flowers, beneath the stately palms, under the serene and shining stars of the "Paradise of the Pacific" he now sleeps the sleep of eternity. Peace to his ashes! Friend, colleague, and companion. Hail and farewell! Aloha! Aloha oe!

Keiki O Ka 'Āina: A Golden Hawk Soars

Graduating University of Hawaii senior, Kau'ilani Kaho'onei is proud of being from Nānākuli. She was born and raised in her Nānākuli Avenue home. She attended Nānākuli Elementary School, graduated from Nānākuli High School, and is a third-generation homestead keiki o ka aina. Her maternal grandfather Phillip Naone, Jr. was the original lessee who turned over the homestead lease to her father Ralph.

Kau'ilani has been a beneficiary of a Hawaiian Homes Commission Scholarship for three years and said the scholarship has helped pay for her dormitory on campus, tuition, and books. She will graduate this May with a 3.5 grade point average and a degree in communications with an emphasis in video production.

Although proud that her older brother earned an associate of arts degree from Honolulu Community College, she will be the first in her family to be earning a four-year college degree. Plans for the luau are underway.

After graduation, she wants to take some time off and find a job in the video production field. "I want to go to Hollywood and work on a major film."



Kau'ilani Kaho'onei is a three time recipient of a Hawaiian Homes Commission Scholarship. She graduates in May with a degree in communications.

In the future, "I would like to return to UH Manoa to earn a Master's degree at the new film school. This is going to be an awesome opportunity for local kids to venture into Hollywood without leaving home," she said.

Eventually she would like to return to Nānākuli to share her experiences with the youth.

Kau'ilani says one of her challenges was to dispel the stereotype that if you're from Nānākuli High School, you don't excel or go to college. "It's ridiculous how they stereotype Nānākuli," she said. "Whenever I was cited for my work, the instructors automatically assumed I went to Kamehameha."

While Kau'ilani may not fit some people's stereotype of your typical Nānākuli student, through opportunities like the Hawaiian Homes Commission Scholarship Program, we believe she will one day be considered the prototype of students coming from the leeward coast.

Congratulations Kau'ilani!

The Hawaiian Homes Commission Scholarship Program (HHCS) was established in 1995 to promote and support the educational advancement of native Hawaiians to achieve economic self-sufficiency. The HHCS provides financial assistance for qualified native Hawaiians enrolled in post-high school institutions in and out of the State of Hawaii with demonstrated financial need or academic excellence.

Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce Celebrates 30th Anniversary

The Native Hawaii Chamber of Commerce (NHCC) will be celebrating its 30th year in existence at its annual 'Ō'ō Awards event on April 23, 2004 at the Hyatt Regency Waikiki.

NHCC is an organization whose mission is to strengthen Native Hawaiian business and professions by building on a foundation of relationships, resources and Hawaiian values.

NHCC provides scholarships funds to Native Hawaiian post-graduate students through the Ke Ali'i Pauahi Foundation. In 2003, NHCC launched two "no cost"

programs for start-up Hawaiian-owned small business and Native Hawaiian high school students, the Business Mentoring and Internship Programs. These programs include partnerships with the Kamehameha Schools Extension Education Division, University of Hawaii College of Business, and the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund.

Themed "Ho'onani, Ho'olaule'a, Ho'opi'i" (Honoring the Past, Celebrating the Present, Promoting the Future), the event will be induct-

ing its 2004 'Ō'ō Award honoree's, Andrew K. Poepoe, SBA Director, and Ezra Kanoho, State Representative. The event provides a great opportunity to network and meet prominent Native Hawaiian business and community leaders with a Hawaiian buffet dinner and live Hawaiian entertainment. Last year over 350 people attended.

All proceeds will benefit the NHCC and its programs for Native Hawaiians. For information, call Linda Paik, (808) 672-5655.

Free Family Support Programs to All Native Hawaiian Families

Keiki O Ka 'Āina Family Learning Centers (KOKA-FLC) is offering free services and enrollment in their three major programs to all Native Hawaiian families. Registration is ongoing and programs are located across the state in many homestead communities. All programs support parents as their child's first and best teacher and give keiki a smart start for school.

The first program is a Parent Participation Preschool located on the in

10 communities around O'ahu including Waimānalo, Kapolei, Nānākuli, Pālolo, Kalihi, Halawa, 'Ewa, Makakilo, and Kāne'ohe. Parents, Tutu or Aunties and Uncles bring keiki aged 3-months to 5-years to a site two days a week (either M/W or T/TH) from 9-12 to play and interact in a culturally rich environment where Hawaiian is spoken. Kāne'ohe, Waimānalo, and Pālolo are Hawaiian immersion sites.



At the Keiki O Ka 'Āina Family Learning Centers, all programs support parents as their child's first and best teacher and give keiki a smart start for school.

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Info Meeting on WWII Ordinances & Explosives

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands will host an informational meeting at DHHL's West Hawaii District office, Kuhio Hale, beginning at 6:30 p.m. on April 1, 2004, regarding possible ordinances and explosives on homestead property.

The informational meeting will be lead by Charles F. Streck, Jr. of the Defense Environmental Restoration Program of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The corps is requesting a one year right-of-entry permit from the Hawaiian Homes Commission to conduct a Phase III Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis to evaluate the potential human health risks from ordinance and explosives that might remain from WWII combat training in the area formerly known as the Waikoloa Maneuver Area at Puukapu on the Big Island.

In addition, the permit allows the Corps of Engineers the right to enter onto lands under homestead leases to carry out survey and exploratory work. The EE/CA will identify, evaluate and recommend response alternatives that reduce the human health risks associated with any ordinance and explosives. The project is scheduled to begin in April 2004 and be completed within 12 months.

'Free Family Support Programs'

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The second program is Parents As Teachers (PAT), a home visit program available in all O'ahu homestead communities as well as on the islands of Molokai, Maui and in the Puna district on the Big Island. In this nationally acclaimed program, a parent educator comes to your home once a month bringing toys and information on topics that parents want to know more about. PAT is open to moms who are pregnant and families with keiki just born to age 3.

The third program is Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) a SAT based kindergarten readiness program that supports parents. If you are thinking about testing your keiki for private school, HIPPY helps to develop many of the skills that are needed! HIPPY serves families with keiki ages 3-5. For more information or an application for any program, call 843-2503. You can also visit KOKA-FLC online at www.keikiokaaina.org.

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